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RESPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.182

Sir:

This is responsive to the Decision on Petition under 37 CFR 1.182 mailed by the Office on April 17, 2006 (the "Decision"). On page 2 of the Decision, it states that the application does not meet the requirements for entry into the national stage in the US, and specifically requires Applicant to provide an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b) within two months from the mailing date of the Decision.

Applicants note that a Declaration and Power of Attorney fully executed by the inventors of the subject patent application was previously mailed to the Office on May 2, 2005. However, in order to be fully responsive to the Decision, Applicants herewith submit a Declaration and Power of Attorney which has been fully executed by the inventors of the subject patent application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.49(a)-(b).

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The Decision does not indicate that any fees are due. Nonetheless, Applicants request the Office to please charge the \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of this fully executed declaration to Deposit Account No. 19-2570, should such a fee be due. Please charge any additional requisite fees for the filing of the enclosed Declaration or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 19-2570.

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